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1993 Director	3 Director	3	
Dy. Director	4 Dy. Director	4	
Asstt. Director	4 Asstt. Director	4	
Asstt. Inspecting Officer	3 A.I.O.	2	A.I.O. 1
S.O.	1 S.O.	1	
June, 1994 Dy. Director	4 Dy. Director	1 Dy. Director	3
Asstt. Director	1	Asstt. Director	1
A.I.O./I.O.	3	A.I.O.	3
S.O.	2	S.O.	2

Export of Human Hair

1806. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VEKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total quantity of human hair exported during the years 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 and so far in 1994 and what is the amount of foreign exchange earned during the afforesaid years;

(b) which State is ranking highest in the human hair export; and

(c) what are the future plans in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) The total quatity and value of human hair exported during the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 are as under:

(Qty: In tonnes)

(Value: Rs./lakhs)

	Qty.	Value
1990-91 . . .	157	224
1991-92 . . .	17	59
1992-93 . . .	201	254
1993-94 . . .	162	387

Export for the period April-May, 1994, is valued at Rs. 72.65 lakhs (est.)

(b) The State of Tamil Nadu ranks highest in export of human hair, accounting for around 90 per cent of total export.

(c) Exporters are always on the look out for new markets.

(Source: DGCI&S, Calcutta. PLEXCONCIL, Bombay).

Tea Exporting Countries Forming a group

1807. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the tea exporting countries have moved to form a group consising of world's four biggest tea producers, on the pattern of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to ensure a minimum price of £ 3 per kg;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the body is likely to be constituted?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) It has been decided in principle to join the proposed 'Tea Producers Association' mooted by Sri Lanka. The Association is proposed to be formed basically with a view to establish a mechanism for meaningful interaction